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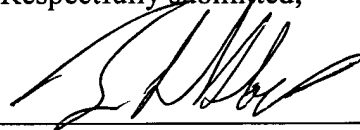
Claims 1-11, 13, and 25-33 are pending, with Claims 1, 13, 28, and 30-33 being independent.

Claim 7 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Claims 31-33 have been added. Applicant submits that support for the added claims can be found in the original disclosure and, therefore, no new matter has been added.

Applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration, withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and an early Notice of Allowance are requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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